

Reply to the Final Office Action
Dated April 7, 2004

Appln. No. 09/890,484

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REMARKS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated April 7, 2004. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-9 and 11-20 are pending. Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, that Claims 1-9 and 11-18 are allowed.

Summary of the Rejections

Claim 19 is rejected as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,958,778 to Kidd. Claim 20, dependent upon Claim 19, is objected to as a duplicate of Claim 1.

Applicants have canceled Claims 19 and 20, reserving the right to submit these claims for examination in a continuation application.

In view of the amendments noted above, applicants contend that the application is in condition for allowance and request that it be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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